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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SNAR, GW (PAKISTAN)
SUBJECT: POPPY PRODUCTION AND THE AID TO PAKISTAN
COMMITTEE

REF: STATE 130189

1. EMBOFF MAY 30 DISCUSSED FORTHCOMING MEETING OF THE
AID TO PAKISTAN CONSORTIUM WITH LEHMAN, BOEHNER (UN
AFFAIRS) AND DR.LANGERBEIN(PAKISTAN DESK) OF
ECONOMIC AID MINISTRY. MINISTRY OFFICIALS
WELCOMED NEWS THAT AID WOULD RAISE OPIUM ISSUE AND
PROMISED TO SUPPORT US STATEMENT WITH THEIR OWN.
LANGERBEIN, HOWEVER, BELIEVES THAT LITTLE IS
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LIKELY TO BE ACCOMPLISHED AT THIS MEETING TOWARD
GETTING THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN TO MOVE
VIGOROUSLY AGAINST OPIUM PRODUCTION. HE SAID THERE
WAS A NEED FOR BETTER INFORMATION ON THE VOLUME
OF PRODUCTION IN ORDER TO HAVE FIGURES WITH WHICH
TO CONFRONT THE PAKISTANIS. HE SUGGESTED THAT THE
WORLD BANK DELEGATION AT THE MEETING, AS THE

MOST NEUTRAL PARTY, BE ASKED TO DEVELOP THIS
INFORMATION TOGETHER WITH THE PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT.

2. LANGERBEIN NOTED THAT THERE WOULD BE A LOT
OF TIME DEVOTED TO THE DEBT RELIEF PROBLEM AND
THAT THIS MADE IT DOUBTFUL THAT THERE WOULD BE AN
OPPORTUNITY FOR THE FRG DELEGATIONS TO DISCUSS
THE OPIUM PROBLEM WITH THEIR US COUNTERPARTS BEFORE
THE MEETING STARTED. BOEHMER SUGGESTED THAT THERE
MIGHT BE A POSSIBLE TRADE-OFF THERE. THAT IS,
MAKE DEBT RELIEF CONDITIONAL ON THE PAKISTANIS'
MOVING EFFECTIVELY AGAINST OPIUM PRODUCERS.

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